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"SPORT"?—The Toronto World contains a very pretty story about a hunter in Muskoka who was so affected by a mother-bear's solicitude in getting honey for her two little cubs, that he denied himself the pleasure of making those cubs orphans by a crack shot. How few "sportsmen" consider the pain and distress they cause to their fellow creatures by their rifles!

"ASLEEP AT HIS POST."—The dreadful railway accident at Thirsk, in England, was—like the Humber Bay accident here a few years ago—due to one of the railway hands being compelled to work when he became exhausted by overwork and want of sleep. No verdict can be too severe against corporations guilty of such cruelty and folly combined.

THE MERCIER BOULEVERSEMENT.—The Quebec journals seem puzzled to appraise the verdict of acquittal lately won by "Count" Mercier at its just value. It will probably take some time for the public to digest the finding of the jury; but we must assume it to be legally correct.

"HEALTH AND WEALTH."—The city fathers of Toronto seem very careful not to spend too much money on the cleaning of the city, water works, &c. The policy is "penny wise and pound foolish." A city so full of intelligence should set a better example of true economy to other places. We fear, however, that the "intelligence" of the citizens does not make itself conspicuous in the arena of the City Council.

INSANITY AND CRIME.—The case of the cold-blooded murderer, Cream, is once more attracting attention to the difficult question of drawing the line between responsibility for crime and irresponsibility through mania impulse. "Error on the right side" is safest—give the public, not the criminal, the "benefit of the doubt."

CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE as a ground for a verdict of "guilty"—especially if resulting in capital punishment—is becoming more and more discredited. The probability seems to be that the whole judicial procedure will ere long be changed on that point.

IS IT MORE THAN A COINCIDENCE that all the Scotch antiquarians of any note have been staunch Episcopalians—Sir Walter Scott, and Bishop Forbes of Brechin, with his brothers; John Stuart, Cosmo Innes, Lord Lindsay, Patrick Chalmers, Joseph Robertson, John Hill Burton, the late Historio-

grapher-Royal; the late President of Toronto University, and last but not least, George Grub, the newly deceased ecclesiastical historian?

UNITED THANKSGIVING.—The plan of uniting two or more neighbouring congregations at some particular service on Thanksgiving Day deserves to be encouraged. The Ruri-decanal Chapter of Toronto has acted well and wisely in this matter. It would be still better, however, if the day were to be chosen in September rather than November, when the weather has become very uncertain.

FANCY FAIRS AND CHARITY.—It would be interesting and probably instructive to read a detailed statement of the cost of one of these gigantic charity bazaars or exhibitions—and compare the cost with the net proceeds. The time of the performers (so much per day or hour), the time of the attendants and spectators, the cost of the dresses and properties, with various incidental expenses, would run up to a surprising figure.

"SELF-DENIAL WEEK" has become a stereotyped part of the "Salvation Army" regulations—a faint imitation of the Church Catholic in the Lenten "self-denial six weeks." They have issued a neatly illustrated bulletin showing various materials of self-denial—poultry, game, teapot, fruit, street car, ginger beer, preserves, candy, &c.

SUPERANNUATION FUND.—The effort being made in the diocese of Toronto, under the judicious agency of Canon Logan, has met with one marked example of encouragement—Samuel Blake has published a subscription of \$1,000, on behalf of himself and brother (Edward), to the \$50,000 capital of this fund. It ought not to be hard to find 50 other Churchmen equally liberal.

How to Do It.—In some places—Toronto, for instance—rich men leave their poorer brethren to struggle comparatively unaided through their parochial difficulties. St. George's, New York, is more fortunate. Judge Morgan challenges other subscribers to the endowment by undertaking to give as much "dollar for dollar" as all the rest put together!

PROPHETS AND PRIESTS.—One of the points brought into relief at the Grindelwald Conference was the essential distinction between these two ministerial offices, which John Wesley kept so carefully in view, but which his nominal followers had completely lost sight of.

THE "GORDON CALVARY."—Peter Lombard in the Church Times adduces—in support of his preference for the ancient traditional site over General Gordon's fanciful guess at a new one—a passage from Kinglake's Eothen, referring to the careful and formal manner in which the Empress Helena (4th century) identified and approved the traditional sites.

CANON LAW is a subject which occupied a great deal of attention at the Folkestone Congress, and deservedly so, for the subject has been very much neglected. It is the code of the Church's tradition in legislative enactment, and very inimical to Romanism—as the Church Times points out. By it, if followed, "Rome would have been saved from Ultramontanism."